



GENERAL OTIS IS CONFIDENT

That Aguinaldo's Power is Rapidly Waning... There Are Daily Manifestations

OF GRADUAL DISINTEGRATION

Of the Filipino Forces--The Return of the Volunteers Will Begin This Month.

WASHINGTON, May 11.--General Otis cabled the war department concerning the situation in the Philippines. He says that it is very encouraging. The tone of the dispatch leads the officials here to believe that the end of the Filipino insurrection is near at hand. Following is the text of the dispatch from General Otis:

MANILA, May 11. Adjutant General, Washington. Situation as follows: Succeeded in passing army gunboats to Calumpit for use in Rio Grande. Railway connection with that point secured this week. The passage of gunboats through the Macabebe country was hailed with joy by the inhabitants. In the country passed over by the troops temporary civil administration has been inaugurated and protection to inhabitants against insurgents' depredations as far as possible. Signs of insurrectionary disintegration are daily manifested. Obstacles which natural features of the country present can be overcome.

RETURN OF TROOPS.

Will Begin the Homeward Trip the Last of the Month.

WASHINGTON, May 11.--In reply to the cable of Adjutant General Corbin last night regarding the return of volunteers, General Otis cabled this morning:

MANILA, May 11. Adjutant General, Washington.

Volunteer organizations first to return are now at Negros and forty-five miles from Manila at the front. It is expected that the transports now arriving will take returning volunteers. Volunteers understand they will begin to leave for the United States the latter part of the month. They know the importance of their presence here at this time and accept the sacrifices which the United States interests make imperative.

The Hancock now is entering the harbor. Transports returning this week carry sick and wounded men. The Pennsylvania and St. Paul are needed no longer in southern waters, where they have been retained, hence their dispatch. The transports Nelson and Cleveland brought freight. They return without cargo.

OTIS.

The Hancock, which General Otis reports entering the harbor, sailed from San Francisco April 18, carrying the Twenty-first Infantry and Light Battery E, First artillery, thirty officers and 1,450 enlisted men. Colonel Jacob Kline, Twenty-first Infantry, commanding.

A later dispatch from General Otis says:

MANILA, May 11. Adjutant General, Washington.

The health condition of the troops who arrived on the Hancock is excellent. There were two deaths en route. Privates D. E. Jones and Elmer H. Cavalier, of Companies L and E, Twenty-first Infantry, April 21 and 26, OTIS.

ONE WHO KNOWS

Talks of the Filipino War--Not a Conflict for Independence.

CHICAGO, May 11.--Captain Frank F. Eastman, of the Fourteenth United States Infantry, arrived in Chicago today. He left Manila April 3, on stock being one of the passengers on the transport Sheraton, which arrived in San Francisco April 30. He is on his way to rejoin his family in Massachusetts.

"People in this country who talk about the war on the part of the Philippines being for independence do not know what they are talking about," he said. "It is a war of a few scheming, selfish leaders who have resorted to desperate methods to secure a following. Not only have they lied and misrepresented things in every possible manner but they also have resorted to intimidation to keep their forces together. The threat of death has been held up as the fate of any who refuse longer to fight the Americans. Even to counsel peace was to invite possible death."

"The Filipinos are brave but they lack the qualities the American soldier possesses. Their marksmanship is wretchedly poor and they are poorly offered. If they had been good marksmen the mortality in our ranks would have been something frightful, for our troops have been exceedingly reckless in the manner in which they have exposed themselves in battle. This accounts largely for the fatalities which have come to them. Time and time again when a good cover was offered, when would stand up in the open and vainly pick out their men. Of course this is in bravery, but it has been the cause of many deaths. Had we been offered by a foe skilled in the use of the rifle, I tremble to think what our

death lists would have been. But at the same time, this reckless courage has gone a long way toward terrifying and demoralizing the Filipinos.

"The volunteers have shown the most superb courage. It is needless to say what the regulars are. They can always be counted upon to do whatever is asked of them and proved themselves to be the best soldiers in the world. In my opinion the war is nearly over and within a month peace will be established."

Now is the Time to Strike.

MANILA, May 11.--Mr. Higgins, manager of the Manila Dagupan railway, and two of his assistants, who have remained inside the insurgent lines to protect the railway company, arrived at San Fernando yesterday. They had been informed by the insurgents that they would be no longer responsible for their safety if they remained longer within their lines. Mr. Higgins corroborates the stories that have been told of the demoralization of the Filipinos and says that the rebels are looting all the natives' property. Mr. Higgins adds that now is the time for the Americans to strike hard.

Frenchman Assassinated.

NEW YORK, May 11.--A dispatch to the Journal and Advertiser from Manila says: The insurgents have assassinated M. Dumarais, a Frenchman, who had crossed their lines under a flag of truce. He was negotiating with the Filipinos for the release of Spanish prisoners.

This action may cause a demonstration by France.

Bond for Guam.

NEW YORK, May 11.--The United States auxiliary cruiser Yosemite, bound for Guam passed Sandy Hook bound out at 6:25 a. m. to-day. The Yosemite carries Captain Richard P. Leary, the newly appointed governor of Guam, and a garrison of marines for Guam together with a quantity of stores and supplies.

SETTLEMENT POSTPONED

Of Grain Shovelers' Strike--Scopers Must Concede Something.

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 11.--The meeting of the advisory committee of ten, of which Bishop Quigley is the chairman, which was to have taken place to-night at the bishop's residence to consider the grain shovelers' strike, was postponed until 10:30 to-morrow morning, owing to the illness of two members of the committee, ex-Congressman Mahanay and President P. J. McMahon, of the grain shovelers' union.

It was generally expected that a plan would have been formulated to-night by which a reconciliation between the shovelers and the Lake Carriers' Association could be effected and the delay has proved a big disappointment to those working for a settlement of the trouble. The strikers have steadfastly asserted that they would not agree to any terms or concessions made by the employers except they were accompanied by an absolute wiping out of the contract system. On good authority it was stated to-night that the scopers must concede something, and it is not only possible, but very probable that they will agree to accept the terms offered by the lake carriers.

FREIGHT HANDLERS

Now Contribute Their Share to Buffalo's Serious Situation.

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 11.--The strike among the members of the freight handlers union at this port is gradually assuming a serious aspect.

There are about 2,000 of these men pledged not to work for any contractor and many of these men are now on strike. Originally a few of them went out in sympathy with the grain shovelers and now it is believed that in case the scopers gain their point they will still remain out until their difficulties have been satisfactorily settled.

Several managers of transportation lines told to-day that if the contractors did not quickly demonstrate their ability to do the work of loading and unloading freight boats they would be compelled to devise other means of relieving the congestion of traffic at this port.

At the Lehigh Valley docks the company called in a lot of yard men and other employees to take the places of the strikers.

At the Central, Erie and other big docks the work was practically at a standstill, the few freight handlers who were at work being non-union men.

The freight handlers demand an increase of wages from 35 cents an hour, the present rate, to 40 cents an hour for work outside of the freight houses and 20 cents an hour for inside work. They also ask for the abolition of the contract system.

AN ACTIVE CAMPAIGN

Begin in New York City Against Christian Scientists.

NEW YORK, May 11.--President Michael C. Murphy, of the board of health, has begun an active campaign against all persons whom he considers to come under the head of "faith cures." He has issued a letter to the chief sanitary superintendent with regard to these persons. It reads in part as follows:

"You are hereby requested to direct the assistant sanitary superintendents of the various boroughs of this city to use all means in their power to discover and locate persons practicing medicine without diplomas. Recent events have shown this department that uneducated, ignorant, and those whom I believe to be evil minded persons, go from house to house and take advantage of their more ignorant neighbors, professing that they are endowed with wonderful healing faculties. If this system is allowed to proceed great evil will result."

"In your endeavor to suppress the practice I would suggest that you immediately communicate with the medical societies of the several counties comprising the entire greater city and either make an engagement to meet in consultation to advise what is the best method to adopt or receive their communications in writing and afterwards adopt some broad system that the object in view may be accomplished."

"Put's Not Taxable.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 11.--Assistant Attorney General Boyd has rendered at the request of the secretary of the treasury, a decision which has been approved by the attorney general, in which he holds that transactions known among stock brokers as "puts" are not taxable under the war revenue tax, although "calls" are subject to the tax.

CONFEDERATE'S GREAT REUNION

At Charleston--The Second Day's Proceedings--General Lee's Facetious Letter.

GENERAL "JOE" WHEELER

Expresses His Views on Expansion--A Patriotic Defense of the Administration.

CHARLESTON, S. C., May 11.--At today's session of the Confederate veterans convention committees on credentials and resolutions were appointed and the following letter from General Fitzhugh Lee was read:

"I am obliged for your kind and complimentary letter. I do not know of anything that would give me greater pleasure than to be at the reunion in Charleston, but my duties, however, are so pressing that I fear I will not be able to leave, if only for a few days. Then too, I think the quarantine regulations would prevent me from getting to Charleston or any other southern point in May. You see after these quarantine laws are in force we Cubans are supposed to have yellow fever, smallpox and all other diseases, and we are set down as not being proper persons for anybody to associate with until the gray frosts overspread the island.

Yours very truly,

"FITZHUGH LEE."

General Gordon then introduced General Joe Wheeler. "I need not tell you," said General Gordon, "that here is one of the wisest of Confederate warriors. I need not tell you of that day in Santiago when he saw the Spaniards flying before him and when in the wild enthusiasm of the moment he forgot where he was and called upon his men--'Forward boys, the Yankees are running'--if I should tell you any of these things I would strike a chord in every heart, but I am not going to do it. I am going to strike every chord at a single stroke at once by calling the name of 'Joe' Wheeler."

The audience applauded wildly. Every sentence of General Wheeler's speech stirred the veterans to a frenzy of enthusiasm. At times it was impossible for the speaker to proceed.

Wheeler on Expansion.

In the course of his speech General Wheeler touched upon the question of expansion by declaring that southern soldiers and southern statesmen had ever taken a prominent part in all movements looking to the enlargement of our territory.

"History for all time," he said, "will record that it was under southern presidents that we have wrested from the wild Indians the greater part of the 822,358 square miles, which lay between our thin lines of settlement on the ocean and the Mississippi river; and under southern Presidents that we have added to this domain an area nine times as great as the present area of the original thirteen states."

"While the various negotiations were being had, and our dominions were being enlarged, adding to the glory of the country, chiefly through the influence of the southern element, most bitter opposition was developed in other parts of the Union."

"It is a matter of which the southern people may well take pride, that during all the great progress and advancement of our country, including the armed contest of last year, and which I am glad to say now appears to be happily ended, no section of our land has been more devoted to the cause of our country and to upholding its honor and prestige than the people of the southern states."

"Those upon whom rests the cares, duties and burdens of government have encountered no embarrassments or complaints or criticism from southern states. None of their brave volunteer regiments have asked to be returned from fields of active duty and when the request has come from governors of other commonwealths, volunteers from the southern states have promptly begged for the honor of filling their places in the front of battle."

A Duty Thrust Upon Us.

"The position in which the American people find themselves to-day was not sought by them, but is the logical result of conditions thrust upon the country by a course of events beyond our control. If it be said they were foreseen and predicted, it must also be admitted that no power in our grasp could have stayed the tide, and now we stand before the gaze of civilization confronted by grave responsibilities. The supreme test of American institutions is involved, and the American system of government is on trial."

It is said by some that while England, Holland, France and other nations may extend a protecting hand to peoples and lands separated from the home country benefitting both the protector and the protected, that we shall be utterly unable to accomplish such a purpose. To admit this proposition, is to admit that our system of government is lacking in the essential qualifications which every sovereign power should possess. In one year we have risen to the first place in the family of nations; to make the smallest retrograde step, would be at the expense of the progress we have won. To return to the starting point of a year ago, would be to lose what it would take a century to regain. In answer to those who say that the policy of our forefathers forbade the extension of territory, I would point to Jefferson and the Louisiana purchase, Monroe and Florida, Polk and Texas, and the vast territory acquired from Mexico,

and later to Andrew Johnson and the acquisition of Alaska.

If there be any who contend that we should not permit the island of Cuba to become a part of the United States, and its people if they desire it, to enjoy all the rights of American citizenship, I have only to point to the official declarations of our great statesmen commencing with Thomas Jefferson and running through almost the entire period of the first half of this century. During all that period our honored statesmen and president from Jefferson to Buchanan laid down in their messages and state documents, the imperative necessity of making the Pearl of the Antilles a part of the United States."

After deciding to defer the selection of next year's reunion city the veterans adjourned until to-morrow. Baltimore and Louisville are the leading contestants for the next encampment.

SUDDEN DEATH

Of Dr. H. B. Lazear, of Morgantown. Old Soldier and Prominent Citizen. Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., May 11.--The town was shocked this morning to learn that during the night Dr. Henry Baird Lazear, one of its most estimable citizens, had died. He had been ill for a long time with Bright's disease, but yesterday afternoon seemed better than usual and sat for several hours on his porch in conversation with friends. He grew suddenly worse at midnight and expired an hour afterwards.

Dr. Lazear was in the sixty-ninth year of his age. He was born, reared and lived in Morgantown, and was educated in the old Monongalia academy, and Jefferson Medical College, of Philadelphia, graduating from the medical college in 1858.

He practiced his profession from the time of his graduation until the breaking out of the civil war, when he raised Company E, Seventh West Virginia Infantry, of which company he was made captain. While commanding a wing of his regiment at the battle of Antietam, he was so severely wounded that he had to be carried from the field, and the deep scars were on his body to the day of his death. He resigned his captaincy in February, 1863, but was shortly afterward commissioned an assistant surgeon, in which capacity he served until the close of the war.

At the close of the war he returned to Morgantown and then began his career as a druggist and pharmacist in which he was eminently successful for many years, and from which business he retired about two years ago on account of failing health. In 1867, Dr. Lazear married Miss Mary Agnes Moran, who preceded him to the grave about three years. Their home was for many years one of the brightest in Morgantown. Two children survive, Dr. A. M. Lazear, who succeeded his father a short time ago in the drug business, and Henry B., Jr.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Final Session of the Commandery. Fairmont Next Place of Meeting. Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., May 11.--The Grand Commandery of the Knights Templar held its final-session this afternoon, receiving the reports of the various committees and acting upon them. Fairmont was selected as the place of the next meeting.

This afternoon the Mystic Shriners gave one of their magnificent parades, and to-night conferred the Shriner's degree. The parade was under the direction and auspices of Ben Kedim Temple, W. W. Branch being the Grand Potentate, and Captain J. H. Seal, director of the Temple. The banquet given by them at the Masonic Temple was a supremely festive occasion, a fit closing for the exercises of the annual meeting of this distinguished body.

Mrs. List's Good Work.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., May 11.--Mrs. C. H. List, of Wheeling, president of the West Virginia Humane Society, left here to-day for Salem, where she will place in the Girls' Industrial and Reform School a fifteen-year-old girl, Annie Workman. The girl's home is at Montgomery, where her mother, a widow, resides. The girl is bright and refined, but incorrigible. Mrs. List was the guest of Governor Atkinson to-day.

SENSATIONAL STORY

About New Counterfeiting Scheme is Promptly Explored.

WASHINGTON, May 11.--A complete denial was given at the treasury and interior departments to-day to the sensational story published this morning of a deep laid counterfeiting scheme that had been unearthed in the photographic room of the patent office.

According to the story referred to there had been discovered in a "low and noisome vault" of the patent office, photographic negatives of small bills from \$1 to \$10. From these there had been printed large amounts of high grade counterfeit bills which were being circulated in Cuba.

Commissioner Duell said to-day that the whole story is a sensational canard, and Chief Wickett said: "You could not make any counterfeit from those plates that would fool a wooden Indian. The story that any bills made in Cuba is wholly untrue."

No arrests have been made and none will be.

Wireless Telegraphy.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 11.--General Greely to-day made the first authoritative statement as to the progress making in the development of wireless telegraphy under the auspices of the United States signal corps. The important conclusion is reached by General Greely that the wireless system is not likely to supplant the ordinary method of telegraphic communication. The results so far obtained have been uncertain.

No More Troops by Suez Canal.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 11.--The war department will not send any more troops to Manila by way of New York and the Suez canal. All troops now under orders for Manila or to be ordered there during the next few months, will be sent by way of San Francisco. The health of the troops would be endangered, says Secretary Alger, by going through the Indian ocean and along equatorial latitudes during the summer.

BITTER FIGHT AGAINST QUAY.

Another Address From the Business Men's Republican League of Pennsylvania.

QUITE A NOVEL PROPOSITION

Made to the Senator for Terminating the Strife in the Republican Ranks.

PHILADELPHIA, May 11.--The Business Men's Republican League of Pennsylvania to-night issued the following public address:

The Business Men's Republican League of Pennsylvania congratulates the people of this commonwealth upon the progress made by the forces of good government during the past year. The aims of the league as clearly set forth in January, 1897, when it inaugurated the contest for the election of anti-Quay members of the general assembly have been accomplished.

For the first time in nearly a score of years the majority of the members elected to the general assembly was anti-Quay. The house of representatives at all times during the last session contained an anti-Quay majority. It repudiated Mr. Quay, the head and front of that corrupt and vicious political system that so long has been a reproach to our state. All forms of machine conceived corruption and legislative jobbery were exposed and defeated by this same anti-Quay body.

The league has never based its opposition to the re-election of Mr. Quay on the criminal indictments found against him, but upon other well known substantial reasons. However, since his technical acquittal through pleading the "statute of limitations," whereby he has practically admitted the charge of unlawful using public money for his own personal benefit, we urge this as an additional reason for every citizen and taxpayer of Pennsylvania to aid in the defeat of Mr. Quay and the overthrow of his machine. The appalling chapter of crime as developed by the legislative investigating committee, showing a far-reaching conspiracy to corrupt and bribe members of the legislature to vote for Mr. Quay for United States senator, should alone drive from his support every self-respecting voter in the state.

League's Suggestion.

For the purpose of settling any controversy before the presidential contest of 1900, we will make the following suggestions as a means of terminating the strife within the Republican ranks: Let Mr. Quay himself become the machine's candidate for state treasurer at the ensuing elections. Mr. Quay has boasted of his readiness to go to the people for vindication. As a state treasurer inaugurated and fostered the system of "personal profit by the use of public moneys," which has been an important issue in this contest. He represents in every sense the evils against which self-respecting Republicans have revolted. He is the source and incarnation of the evils of the system which bears his name. Let him thus make the issue, distinct and direct--leaving the final decision to the people. If Mr. Quay fears to submit his candidacy to the people and in the face of his repudiation by their direct representatives, insists upon claiming a seat in the United States senate, through the unlawful act of a subversive governor, he will intensify and prolong the contest until he is repudiated by a future legislature and precipitates disaster and defeat upon the other candidates who bear the stamp of his machine.

Senator Egan's Dinner.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 11.--Senator Egan and General Koontz were the first two of the insurgents to arrive in the city for the dinner to be given by Mr. Egan in the Hotel Bellevue to-morrow night, to his fellow signers of the anti-Quay pledge.

"The affair is not to be especially political," said the senator. "I merely desired to meet my colleagues socially, and there was no opportunity to do so before we parted at Harrisburg."

Judge Kennedy, of Pittsburgh, one of the Democratic candidates for supreme court justice, is in the city, and there are rumors of a gathering of Democrats here to-morrow. City Chairman Donnelly and City Commissioner Ryan met the judge last night.

MICHIGAN SENATORSHIP.

Senator McMillan Does Not Agree With Secretary Alger.

DETROIT, Mich., May 11.--Senator McMillan arrived from Washington to-day. Asked whether he had read General Alger's announcement of his renunciation of candidacy, and his statement that McMillan had told him he would not be a candidate, Senator McMillan said he had seen the announcement, but that General Alger must take the responsibility of having made it.

"During the entire time for over a year at Washington," said the senator, "and during the very many casual conversations I have had with General Alger we have not mentioned the senatorial matter, at least not in regard to his candidacy and my stepping out. There is the very strongest feeling among Michigan Republicans that I should seek re-election."

A SENSIBLE VIEW

Of the Situation in Cuba Taken by Senator Mora.

HAVANA, May 11.--Senator Federico Mora, formerly civil governor of Havana, who was recently appointed to the post of supreme fiscal, said in the course of an interview to-day: "Although I would not oppose annexation after native incapacity for government had been shown, I do not think that it should be enforced upon the people, who, after half a century of fighting, have earned independence. My knowledge of American honesty compels the belief that the government of the United States is acting in good

faith towards Cuba, and with the intention to keep the promises which President McKinley has made. To violate those promises would disgrace the President and the nation in the eyes of the world.

The establishment of a supreme court in Cuba, is, in my opinion, the first actual step towards recognition of the independence of the Cubans. If that were not the intention the present courts of Cuba would not be final, but that those of the United States, being higher, cases would be subject to an appeal there. This subject Senator Carlos Rivera and a majority of those who have been selected for the supreme bench, hold the same opinion as myself."

IRON AND STEEL COMBINE.

Organization of the Republic Company Finally Perfected.

NEW YORK, May 11.--The organization of the Republic Iron and Steel Company was perfected to-day, when final arrangements were completed and directors and officers elected.

The board of directors is composed of August Belmont, Myron C. Wick, president of the Union Iron & Steel Company, of Youngstown, Ohio; Grant B. Schley, of the banking firm of Moore & Schley, of this city; Randolph S. Warner, formerly of the King Gilbert Company, Columbus, Ohio; George E. Sheldon, a banker of this city, who was active in underwriting the stock of the company; J. G. Caldwell, of the Birmingham Rolling Mills, Birmingham, Ala.; G. Watson French, of the Sylvan Steel Company, of Moline, Ill.; Alexis W. Thompson, of the Atlantic Iron & Steel Company, New Castle, Pa.; John F. Taylor, of the Brown Bonnell Company, Youngstown, Ohio; T. A. Mayenburg, of the Tudor Iron Works, of St. Louis; L. E. Cochran, of the Andrews Bros. Company, Youngstown, Ohio; James C. Corne, of the Corne Iron & Steel Company, Massillon, Ohio; H. W. Haestinger, of the Alabama Rolling Mill Company, Birmingham, Ala.; P. L. Kimberly, of New Castle, Pa.; George M. Bard, of the Indiana Iron Company, Muncie, Ind.; Samuel Thomas, of the Pioneer Mining and Manufacturing Company, Birmingham, Ala.; S. J. Llewellyn, of the Inland Iron & Forge Company, and Harry Rubens, of the law firm of Rubens, Dupuy & Fischer, of Chicago.

Although about thirty-six separate and distinct concerns have been absorbed and negotiations are pending with several others in the west and the southwest.

The directors met to-day and elected the following officers:

President, Randolph S. Warner; first vice president, George D. Wick; second vice president, Samuel Thomas; third vice president, James C. Corne; fourth vice president, George M. Bard; secretary, S. J. Llewellyn; treasurer, John F. Taylor; general counsel, Harry Rubens.

Executive committee, Myron C. Wick, Alexis W. Thompson, John F. Taylor, T. A. Mayenburg, G. Watson French, George D. Wick, Harry Rubens, S. J. Llewellyn and Randolph S. Warner. On a recommendation of the executive committee it was decided to grant an advance in wages of twenty cents per ton for puddling and a corresponding advance for finished material. It was said that there will be no advance in the price of goods.

Sloan Wins Three Races.

LONDON, May 11.--Tod Sloan finished first on Mr. H. J. King's four years old chestnut colt Florio Rubattino, in the race for the Flying Handicap, at the third day's racing of the Newmarket, second spring meeting, to-day. This race is of ten sovereigns each and 200 sovereigns added. Rose Tree was second and Canadense third. The betting was 2 to 1 against Florio Rubattino.

Sloan won the Breeder's Plate of 500 sovereigns on Vain Duchess; Timesome was second and Padgate was third. The betting was 13 to 5 on Vain Duchess.

Lord William Beresford's Calman, ridden by Sloan, finished first in the race for the Payne stakes of 15 sovereigns each with 460 sovereigns added. Footpad II was second and Sinopoli was third. Five horses ran and the betting was 6 to 1 on Calman.

Two Hundred Buildings Burned.

VIENNA, May 11.--In a great fire to-day in the town of Gura Humora, province of Bukovina, two hundred buildings, including the principal church, the town hall and other public offices and all the school houses were destroyed.

A Chicagoan Wins.

PARIS, May 11.--In the one hundred hours' cycling contest at Roubaix, Charles W. Miller, of Chicago, won first prize. He covered 2,253 kilometers.

A Mistake Was Made.

As stated in another column, the council committee on finance last night found the necessary expenditures exceeded revenue to the tune of \$31,000, and as a result the committee decided to recommend the laying of an extra tax levy of fifteen cents in addition to the fifty and ten-cent levies.

After the committee had adjourned, it was discovered that the committee had made an error in totaling the items of expenditures, the board of public works ten-cent levy having been counted twice.

It is therefore seen that the discrepancy between revenues and expenditures is only \$11,000, and when the committee meets again Tuesday night there will doubtless be an effort to reconsider the action recommending an extra levy. It might be possible to scale down appropriations the amount that really separate revenues and expenditures, which is \$11,175.50, instead of \$31,175.50, which the committee erroneously worked it out.

Movements of Steamships.

NEW YORK--Brazil, Hamburg, Liverpool--Wassland, Philadelphia. SOUTHAMPTON--Fuerst Bismarck, New York.

Weather Forecast for To-day.

For West Virginia and Western Pennsylvania, increasing cloudiness Friday; showers Friday night and Saturday; winds shifting to fresh southerly.

For Ohio, increasing cloudiness, with showers in west portion Friday; Saturday showers; fresh southerly winds.

Local Temperature.

The temperature yesterday, as observed by C. Schneck, druggist, corner Market and Fourteenth streets, was as follows:

1 a. m. 61. 2 a. m. 60. 3 a. m. 59. 4 a. m. 58. 5 a. m. 57. 6 a. m. 56. 7 a. m. 55. 8 a. m. 54. 9 a. m. 53. 10 a. m. 52. 11 a. m. 51. 12 m. 50. 1 p. m. 49. 2 p. m. 48. 3 p. m. 47. 4 p. m. 46. 5 p. m. 45. 6 p. m. 44. 7 p. m. 43. 8 p. m. 42. 9 p. m. 41. 10 p. m. 40. 11 p. m. 39. Weather--Fair.